



February 11, 2022 Media Release

Firearms – Arrest: C22-29072

On February 10, 2022, members of the Guns & Gangs Unit, with the assistance of the Tactical Support Team, executed a search warrant at a residence in the 100 block of Gables Court (Kildare-Redonda neighbourhood) in relation to a firearms investigation.

A search of the residence revealed a loaded .22 calibre rifle with an obliterated serial number.

Joseph William SYS, a 44-year-old male of Winnipeg, was arrested within the residence and charged with the following offences:

- Possession of a Firearm Knowing its Possession is Unauthorized
- Possession of a Firearm, Restricted/Prohibited Weapon or Ammunition Contrary to Prohibition Order x 2
- Tampering with Serial Number of a Firearm
- Careless Storage of Firearm, Weapon, Prohibited Device or Ammunition x 2
- Outstanding Warrant (Assault with a Weapon, Uttering Threats, Attempt to Obstruct Justice)

He was detained in custody.

Statement Regarding Vaccine Mandate Protests

The Winnipeg Police Service is aware of a series of protests planned for this weekend.

Discussions with the organizers of these events continue. We strive to balance the right of everyone to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly, as well as the rights of the general public, local residents and businesses to a safe environment.

The Winnipeg Police Service role is to ensure public safety and to keep the peace.

An operations plan has been developed, which includes the deployment of additional police resources in an effort to create a safe environment for all.

The Winnipeg Police Service has maintained a full-time presence in the area of the initial protest since February 4th. The number of officers will be bolstered this weekend to ensure that demonstrations remain peaceful and non-violent.

We ask everyone to be patient and respectful of each other.

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